# MINUTES July 25, 2006

The State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors met on July 25, 2006, in Conference Room 102 at the office of the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

E. Charles Vickery, PE - Chairman
Doris I. Willmer, PE, Vice-Chairperson
Mark E. Chastain, LS
William W. Dean, PE
E. Scott Evans, Public Member
Stephen R. Richards, PE
Elmo A. Richardson, Jr., PE,LS
Guy F. Ritter, PE

#### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None absent

# **STAFF PRESENT:**

J. Darren Mickler – Board Executive Director Julie Busbee – Board Secretary/Application Specialist Vivian Stephens –Application Specialist Sharon Harrison – Compliance Secretary

## ATTORNEY GENERAL REPRESENTATIVE:

Patricia Downing, Senior Assistant Attorney General

## **GUESTS PRESENT:**

Hardwick Butler, representing Surveying and Mapping Society of Georgia (SAMSOG) Jerry Kahn, PE, President of Georgia Society of Professional Engineers (GSPE) Lev Nelik, Ph.D. Benjamin Thompson, LS

#### Call to order:

Chairman Vickery called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. Mr. Vickery asked for any additions or deletions to the proposed agenda. Mr. Richardson moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

# **Approval of Minutes:**

Chairman Vickery presented a draft of the June 6, 2006 minutes and asked for any additions or deletions. Ms. Willmer moved to adopt the minutes as written. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Professional Societies and Guests:**

Mr. Vickery recognized the guests present: Jerry Kahn, newly elected president of the Georgia Society of Professional Engineers; Benjamin Thompson, LS; Lev Nelik, Ph.D.; and Hardwick Butler, representing SAMSOG.

No report.

**Old Business:** 

**Task Force Reports:** 

No report.

#### **New Business:**

## **Proposed Policy for LS Application Requirements:**

Mr. Chastain discussed a proposal for Land Surveyor applications regarding references and other information required for the applicant to send with a Land Surveyor application after he/she has previously and recently applied for and passed the LSIT exam. After general discussion, the following will be added to the instructions of the Land Surveyor exam application and developed into a Board policy to be adopted at the next Board meeting:

Land Surveyor exam applicants who have applied and passed the LSIT exam in Georgia within two (2) years of submitting the LSIT exam application, would only need to submit additional experience endorsements covering any experience since they last applied for LSIT and not be required to resubmit previous endorsements for experience already endorsed through their LSIT application.

If an applicant applies for Land Surveyor exam after a two year (2) period has passed since he/she applied and passed the LSIT exam in Georgia or is applying for Land Surveyor with an LSIT from another state, then he/she would be expected to submit (or resubmit) all endorsements from the beginning of his/her experience.

## Letter of Request to Use "Engineering" in Firm Name:

Mr. Mickler presented a letter of request from Tri-Wire Engineering Solutions, Inc. to use the word "Engineering" in the name of their company name. Mr. Ritter moved to deny. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

# **Letter of Request from Naveed Jaffar:**

Mr. Mickler presented a letter from Naveed Jaffar requesting to obtain Chemistry coursework from an institution such as Georgia Perimeter College or at an equivalent institution; and to reduce the requirement from ten (10) semester hours to six (6) semester hours. Ms. Willmer moved to allow Mr. Jaffar to obtain the coursework from Georgia Perimeter College, but to still require ten (10) semester hours. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

# **Letters of Request for Waiver of Late Renewal Fee:**

Mr. Mickler presented two letters of request from James F. Gieselman, PE010963 and A. James Harris, PE023949 for waiver of late renewal fees. Mr. Richardson moved to deny the requests. Mr. Chastain seconded. Motion carried.

Ms. Willmer moved to deny request for waiver of \$500 penalty for a firm with no Certificate of Authorization. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

# **Applicant Presentation:**

Dr. Lev Nelik addressed the Board regarding his application for comity registration.

#### **Executive Session:**

At 10:05 am, Mr. Dean moved for the Board to enter into Executive Session to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on complaints and investigative reports. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

The following Board members were present during Executive Session – Chairman Vickery, Mr. Richards, Mr. Dean, Mr. Evans, Mr. Chastain, Mr. Richardson, Ms. Willmer, and Mr. Ritter.

Reconvened Open Session at 11:30 am with the following Board members present - Chairman Vickery, Mr. Richards, Mr. Dean, Mr. Evans, Mr. Chastain, Mr. Richardson, Ms. Willmer, and Mr. Ritter.

## **Investigations and Complaints:**

Mr. Ritter moved to accept a signed Cease and Desist Order from Anthony Shin for advertising engineering without a professional engineer's license. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Ritter moved to accept a signed Cease and Desist Order from Korey E. Young for advertising engineering on the internet without a professional engineer's license and to flag his information in case he tries to apply for Professional Engineer's license. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Dean moved to accept a signed Consent Order for Stephen J. Head, PE for felony conviction. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

PELS060034 – This case involved allegations of unprofessional conduct of a Professional Engineer. Mr. Dean moved to close the case with no violations. Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

PELS060027 – This case involved allegations of assisting unlicensed practice by stamping and sealing plans for a general contractor who was not under his/her direct supervision. Mr. Ritter moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern regarding proper use of company title block. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried. Mr. Ritter will draft a Board Rule to this effect.

PELS040055 – A Cease and Desist Order for unlicensed practice of professional engineering was sent to the respondent who refused to sign it. Mr. Ritter moved to send this case to the Attorney General's office. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

PELS050087 - Mr. Dean moved to renew this Professional Engineer with a Letter of Concern and close the case. Ms. Willmer seconded. Motion carried.

PELS060002 – This case involved a company with allegations of no Certificate of Authorization. Mr. Ritter moved to close the case with no violations. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Chastain moved to accept signed a Consent Order from Donald O. Babb, LS for assisting unlicensed practice with \$10,000 penalty, Public Reprimand and five years probation. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

PELS050062 - Mr. Chastain moved to send the investigative file to the Governor's office for further investigation. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Chastain moved to deny J.W. a license as a Professional Engineer based on a report of a criminal conviction, pending receipt of court documents. Mr. Richardson seconded. Motion carried.

## **Board Memo Comity Model Law Applicants:**

Applicants for registration as Professional Engineers by comity, who have an ABET engineering degree, who have taken and passed an 8-hour fundamentals of engineering

(EIT/FE) exam, who have a minimum of 48 months post graduation engineering experience as determined by a staff evaluation using the present Board guidelines, who have taken and passed an 8-hour principles and practice of engineering exam (PE Exam-taken at least 4 years after BS degree), and who comply in every way with the provisions of the appropriate law are as follows:

31167 Christman, Jennifer F.	31168 Freer, Kenneth E.	31189 Ferguson, Duane B.
31190 Hambacher, Degan G.	31191 Lomas, Luis R.	31192 Long, Adam B.
31193 Minadeo, Justin C.	31194 Kilgore, Jason W.	31195 Smith, Jeremy R.
31314 Armstrong, Jeffrey D.	31315 Athey, Scott M.	31316 Bair, Patrick M.
31317 Bradford, David C.	31318 Bryan, Timothy A.	31319 Crisp, Richard K.
31320 Davia, Ralph A.	31321 Dockter, Amy K.	31322 Etters, Eric M.
31323 Farrell, Mark D.	31324 Gish, Bobby G./	31325 Godlewski, Joseph R.
31326 Gordon, Stacey W.	31327 Jimenez, Jodonna J.	31328 Keeney, Matt C.
31329 Latham, Christopher T.	31330 Masterson, Timothy F.	31331 Miller, Brian J.
31332 Mills, Kirk C.	31333 Mitchell, Gregory S.	31334 Olney, Sara E.
31335 Parker, Jacob A.	31336 Provance, James S.	31337 Snow, James M.
31338 Sowell, Gary L Jr.	31339 Stricklin, David L. Jr.	31340 Wimpee, Curtis M.
31341 Wright, Matthew D.	31342 Zittrauer, Glenn A.	31343 Ehrman, Bradley r.
31344 Melton, Bryan T.	31345 Nemec, Benjamin C.	31346 Reckert, Richard L.
31347 Abshagen, Timothy C.	31348 Brown, Charles D. Jr.	31349 Falkenberry, Robert E.
31350 Gurtovaya, Lyudmila	31351 Arrowood, Anthony J.	31352 Hudson, Casey E.
31353 Long, James W. III	31355 Abbey, David S	31356 Gauthier, Martin D.
31357 Piercey, Marlin L.	31358 Anderson, Francis G.	31359 Carew, John P. Jr.
31360 Castelli, Donna M.	31361 Drotar, Mark L.	31362 Farmer, David M.
31363 Freeling, Bryan e.	31364 Garland, Stephen E.	31365 Houser, Tracy J.
31366 Henderson, Richard D.	31367 Poteat, Randall L.	31368 Ray, Gary M.
31369 Richardson, Philip A.	31370 Sherman, Eric G.	31371 Smal, Donald P.
31372 Sutyak, Gregory S.	31373 Tanksley, Gary D.	31374 Tomko, Michael G.
31375 Wilder, Larry R.	31376 Zoabi, Waleed	

Motion was made by Mr. Richardson to approve these applicants for PE registration by comity @ 43-15-16(a), via 43-15-8(1) and 43-15-9(1). The motion was seconded by Ms. Willmer. The motion carried.

# Regular Applicants for Certification as an Engineer-In-Training by Exam:

Applicants for certification as an Engineers-in-Training by examination whose degrees were earned in engineering or engineering technology programs which attained ABET/CAB accreditation within two years of their having received their degrees, who have filed with the Board five acceptable references, who have had no convictions for moral turpitude or substantive reasons, and who comply in every way with the provisions of the appropriate law(s), are as follows:

Angehr, Paul Wesley	Baker, Carlos Lavell	Butler Jr., Douglas A.
Eaton, Zachary Jonathan	Gladden, Jameel Ghayth	Goodyear, George Freeman
Hudson, Haley Ann	Jang, Hyejin	Meyer, Andrew James
Mindley, Damian Lavar	Oxford, Tillman Arnold	Parker, Scott Keith
Patterson, Adam Barret	Pollak, Jonathan Guy	Powers, Tiffany Louise Robinson
Riles, Dennis Jerome	Salyer, Lori Elizabeth	Santilian, Stephen E.
Saunders Jr., Leslie McCall	Seritt, William Bartholomew	Shoemaker, Michael Raymond
Snoby, Bethany Rose	Spencer, Laura Marie Coleman	Stephens, Daniel G.
Wallace, Algernon Tremain	Winston, Jessica Louise	Wojtowicz, Jessica Rose
Ziegler, Kurt Alan		

Motion was made by Ms. Willmer to approve these applicants for EIT certification @ 43-15-8(1) or 43-15-8(2). The motion was seconded by Mr. Richardson. The motion carried.

# Senior Applicants for certification as an Engineers-in-Training by examination:

Applicants for certification as an Engineers-in-Training by examination who are currently enrolled as seniors in ABET approved programs in schools, colleges or universities in Georgia, who have filed with the Board five acceptable references, who have had no convictions for moral turpitude or other substantive reasons, and in every way comply with the provisions of the appropriate law(s) are as follows:

#### GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

#### **Civil & Environmental**

Adams, Linda Marie Askaryar, Mehria Noor Cannon, Daniel Patrick Coggins, Paul Lester Doroudi, Hooman Foster, Elizabeth Ashley Gurr, Jonathan Wallace Hunley, Kathryn Lyn Jimenez, Kavsie Lin, Thomas Scheeting Marshall, Quentin Adam Neill, William Brandon Peek, Tyler Davis Puetz, Rebecca Lynn Reynolds, George Curtis Sappington, Michael Jarrett Sloan, James W. E. Tomala, George Corev Whittingham, Clayton Seth

Adeogun, Charles Adewale Bentivegna, Anthony Frederick Carswell, Robert Brooks, Jr. Conlin, Glynnis Cameron Fields, Jennifer Gach Fraser, Dylen Russell Haren III. Frank Evan Iqbal, Pervez Kennedy, Alexandra K. Loveless, Matthew Vaughn Mengel, Jaron Charles Parsons, Tyler James Pope, Shawn Patrick Putman, Christopher Sean Roe, Matthew Stephen Schmidt, Nicholas Andrew Snell, Kyle Taylor Treto, Jesus Roberto Wright, Ned Delaney

Ashworth, Gregory Joseph Bush, Matthew Scott Causey, William Russell Cooner, Justin Ryan Flanders IV, Frank Brewton Gandhi, Varun N. Hensley II, Joseph Craig Jacquette Jr., Robert Preston Latorre, Jaime Andres Madden, Matthew David Mero, Kayla Louise Peace, Jody Carter Poulos, Andrew P. Reilly, Hugh Oscar Sanford, Kelley Bleu Sistiva, David Ricardo Thomas, Chester Grant Waldrop Jr., Melvin Lee

# GA TECH (Civil/Environmental Re-Take

Brandstetter, Timothy George Lott, Justin Carl Perry, Landon Niko Coffee, Jason Chadwick Mbiwan, Keisha Kiwe Vogt, Brett Daniel Griffiths, Azekah Talitha Muhammad, Nafiisah Abdulkh... Waters, Brian William

#### GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

# **Electrical & Computer Engineering**

Aderibigbe, Olusegun A.

Ali, Hussain Shoaib

Antoon, Joseph Michael

Awofadeju, Olufeyijimi Ohireme Brainin, Michael Zachary Counts, Tegan William Huang, Chao Lam, Man Chun Nguyen, Mary Rice, Nicholas Anthony

Awoniyi, Tayelolu Damilola Brannon, Jonathan Blake Falcon, Franklin Michael Jones, Sasha Kali Cheaney Lohsen, William Grant Planteen, Cody Grant Saylor, Grant Edward Woodard, Christopher Lee Bishop, Matthew Tyler Chiang, Mandy Yang Ham, Nicholas Anthony Khor, Silas Kia Lim McVay, Emily Jane Poen, Christopher Alexander Steeves, Kenneth Joseph Xiong, Juda

#### **GEORGIA TECH**

## Mechanical

Warren, John Randolph

Allen, Jonathan David
Burleson, Jacob Evan
Foley, Jesse Weston
Hollingsworth, Miesha Yvonne
Kerr, Erin Louise
Marsh, Jonathan Edward
Nair, Narayan Matthew
Pollan, Jason Chaim
Rogers, Richard Douglas
Samouris, Lambros Timothy
Schwartz, Richard Bradley
Stephenson, Robert Miller
Todhunter, Matthew David
Walkemeyer, Phillip Edward

Barbely, Allen Peter Chhabra, Navneet Kaur Graves, Alistair Jonathan Huynh, Lee Ngoc Kitchen, Christopher Kenneth Mathews, Michael Frederick Patel, Jinesh Pravin Price, David Gregory Rotolo, Brian Christopher Sampson, Christopher Robert Seang, Kimmeng Sullivan, Ryan Patrick Tsai, Pin-Che Warren, Clinton Gregory Broady, David Ellis
Fields, Charles Anthony
Hagler, William Walton
Jones, Walker Clifton
Lie, Valerie Patricia
McClave, Richard Wilson
Patel, Pathik J.
Quigley, Keavy Siobhan
Rowan, Stephen Lee
Shuetz, Joel Kerry
Smith, Nathan Lemmon
Terrell, Brandon Henry
Tsigalas, Christopher James
Waters, Adam Bruce

# Re-Take (GA Tech-Mechanical)

Nettles, Jodie Ann

# **GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (Savannah)**

Arnsdorff, George Justin Oglesby III, Danny Webster Gibson, Colby Glynn Price, Tyler Lamar McKenzie, Neil Patrick Scripture, Andrew Garrett

# GEORGIA SOUTHERN

Jackson, Martez Fernandez Reed, Wesley Sloan

Reynolds, Joshua Alvis

# Re-Take (GA SOUTHERN)

Cobb, Jacob Adam Lawson, Samantha Jo Windsor, James Russell Day, Chad William Powell, Jacob Beeman Franks, Matthew Thomas Ruark, Jason Harold

# **MERCER**

Andrews, Jamier Leana Brooks, Valerie S. Dickson, Jake Lee Fowler, Torianna Claire Teague, Paul Michael Walden, Kevin Charles

# Re-Take (Mercer)

Quinton, Justin Aaron Rhoades, William

#### SAVANNAH STATE

Adesanya, Olaitan Oladimeji

# SOUTHERN POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY

Allen, Andria N. Barefield, Nathan Paul Betton, Horace Kurt Boyd, David Jackson Brooks, Natasha Bonita Dittrich, Howard John Evans III, Arthur C. Eshagieh-Meybadi, Abbas Fidler, Ryan Michael Franks, Lowell Wesley Kaul, Pavan Medley, Patrick Douglas Phifer, Richard G. Shiner, Eric Wayne Smith, James Andrew Teal, Jason Derek Waters, Robert Forrest Webb, David H. White, Daniel Thomas Woron, Christopher Mitchell

# Re-Take

Daoudi, Mohammed Amine Davis, Todd Michael McElroy, Scott Michael Sack Jr., Marcus Emil

## UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

## **UGA-BSAE**

Blalock, Tabitha Onita Kelati, Tirhas Ghebrehiwet Morrison, Sean Charles Neu, Max Justin Reed, Michael Don Secrist, Julie Ann Sharpe, Timothy Kyle Wyatt, Matthew David

# **UGA-BSBE**

Bisig, Nicolas Ryan Jones, Philip William Redden, Amanda Elizabeth Standridge, Jeremy Deryl Wetlesen-Shepherd, Wanda

Motion was made by Mr. Ritter to approve these applicants for EIT certification @ 43-15-8(1) or 43-15-8(2). The motion was seconded by Mr. Richardson. The motion carried.

## **Reinstatements:**

Mr. Dean moved to deny reinstatement of the license of Scott Smelter, PE016314 and require the applicant to take the PE exam. Mr. Chastain seconded. Motion carried, with Ms. Willmer recusing herself from the vote.

Ms. Willmer moved to accept the reinstatement of the license of Herman Tillotson, PE011391. Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Dean moved to accept the reinstatement of the license of Michael G. Youngblood, PE015459. Mr. Evans seconded. Motion carried.

There being no further business, at 11:20 am, Mr. Ritter moved to adjourn. Mr. Chastain seconded. Motion carried. Some Board members remained to review applications until they were finished.

Board Chairman Division Director

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These minutes were approved at the October 3, 2006 meeting.